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Professors evaluate fire-gutted work

by Mitu Sengupta

McGill professors and researchers are trying to enumerate and reproduce years of valuable work lost to the fire that gutted Lady Meredith House last Sunday.

The fire wrecked McGill's Pulmonary Research Laboratory in the building's basement and worked its way up to burn most of its upper floors which housed the university's Centre for Medicine, Ethics and Law.

The Centre's director, Margaret Somerville, said she is still trying to catalogue her financial losses at the Centre's makeshift offices in Purvis Hall.

"We've long been a resource for many McGill students and departments," she said. "Right now we're asking them to bring back copies of articles and books we may have lent or given them."

According to Somerville — a professor of Medicine and Law — most McGill students won't be affected by the damage at all. "I taught two classes this morning," she said.

Director of the Pulmonary Research Laboratory Pierre Ernst said the fire ruined most of the lab's \$200 000 worth of research equipment and computers.

He said a \$10 000 computer is missing from the scorched basement lab.

Fire investigators found a basement window opening into the lab's computer room broken.

"But we haven't yet uncovered evidence that would link the fire to the theft," he said. "Apparently the fire started along the basement's ceilings, that would probably not be the work of an arsonist." Montréal's arson squad is still searching for the cause of the fire.

Other faculty members complained of their losses.

Professor of Medicine Norbert Gilmore said he's lost years of research and correspondence papers in the fire. "We're talking about



Lady Meredith House

eight to nine years of research, especially on AIDS, that's simply gone," he said.

According to lawyer and Ph.D. student Kathleen Glass, the fire destroyed over half of the literature she had researched for her dissertation. Both Gilmore and Glass said replacing the lost material would drain them of time and money. "It has set me back at least a year," Glass said.

Glass said the Centre's offices will soon be moved into a new

location for 12 to 18 months while Meredith House is reconstructed.

The Pulmonary lab has been temporarily set-up at 1140 Pine Avenue. Floppy-disks and X-ray sheets are spread to dry across several tables in the building's basement. Ernst hopes to recover some disks not damaged by the fire and water. The lab's charred hard-disks are being examined by the McGill Computing Centre.

"We have years of work on those disks," said Ernst, "we've been

following 1000 young Montréalers for 10 years to discover the effect of aging on lung functioning, now it's all gone."

The lab produces studies on issues like respiratory disease, epidemiology and occupational lung disease. Ernst said graduate students working at the lab won't be directly affected by the fire as they should have their research material backed-up on personal computers and files.

"As far as we know, McGill's

insurance will cover our losses," he said.

Parts of 1140 Pine will have to be rewired or renovated for lab use. Computers and equipment have already been ordered and should be available within the next few weeks.

"We'll be a bit cramped for space," said Ernst, "we've moved from 2500 sq. ft. to about a 1000 sq. ft."

Meredith House held the offices of about 31 professors, lawyers and secretaries. Nineteen were from the Centre and about 12 from the lab.

Québec students propose general strike

Daily News Desk—

Québec's student leaders have proposed a province-wide student strike against a tuition fee increase.

Students from across the province met this weekend to decide strategies against the fee hike announced by the Liberal government December 19.

Québec's largest students' organisation, l'Association nationale des étudiantes et étudiants du Québec (l'ANEEQ) proposed the strike, tentatively scheduled to begin February 21.

They also agreed to a widespread awareness campaign.

"Those who remain undecided have to be convinced that the hike will have a negative impact no matter what. Loans and bursaries will not change that impact," said l'ANEEQ Information Secretary Stéphane Lessard.

"And we must ask those who are for the tuition increase to keep quiet during our intervention," he said.

At a simultaneous meeting, the Fédération des étudiantes et étudiants du Québec (FEEQ), a smaller association founded by McGill and five other universities last year, discussed another strategy.

"Ideas were tossed around from negotiations to strikes," said McGill

Students' Society VP External John Fox. "But we're not ready to go into specific actions at this point," he said.

FEEQ's agenda will only be released after a joint meeting with l'ANEEQ, which took place late last night. ANEEQ and FEEQ hope to reconcile their differences and create a common front. Both organisations agree the tuition freeze must be maintained.

Fox said a strike was a last resort within FEEQ's scheme, and would not be endorsed.

"It's a negative reaction," he said. "Students look bad enough as it is. It looks like we're fighting for some-

thing 20 years old, something that nobody else in Canada has. Nobody stops to think why it's good we have the freeze, that it's something we should be proud of."

Members of both FEEQ and ANEEQ worried the strike would split students.

ANEEQ External Affairs secretary Jeff Begley said, "we don't want the debate to polarize and focus on the strike instead of on the issue of tuition fees."

FEEQ will meet again this weekend in Québec City to draft an alternative funding proposal in hope of negotiations with the provincial government.

But according to Lessard, "The government has made it clear that it is closed to negotiations and is not about to reconsider its decision."

"Québec students must make it clear that we will not accept fee hikes. There can be no compromise," he said.

McGill Students' Society has continually shirked strikes called by l'ANEEQ in past years. And until this year it officially endorsed fee hikes.

Said Fox, "Universities are underfunded and fees have been frozen. But the solution is not to raise fees—I don't buy it, and I hope McGill students don't buy it."

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Stocking stuffers for Panama

When US president George "Santa" Bush phoned his little helper Brian Mulroney last week, Big Nick wasn't exactly filled with Yuletide cheer — his special gift to the people of Panama had gone funny.

Make no mistake, Elf Brian and Santa's thousands of little helpers in Canada's media did their best to bring his gift of Truth to Canadians, truth about the US invasion of Panama last month. Canadian TV and press reporting on Bush's unusual stocking stuffer was virtually indistinguishable from American reporting — a country where critical journalism means taking care quotes from US government press releases are spelled right.

In the critical days after the invasion by 24 000 troops, Old Nick's helpers in the media faithfully passed on his justification of this strange gift to Panama — Bush claimed the US has a legal right under the UN Charter to "self-defense." US citizens were allegedly being defended from attack by Manuel Noriega's troops. The invasion followed the shoot-

ing of a US soldier at a Panamanian check-point.

But Mulroney and Bush probably overlooked Article 2 of the UN Charter, which says international disputes must be settled "by peaceful means." It continues: "All Members shall refrain in their international relations from the threat of use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of any state."

The treaty of the Organization of American States, of which the

US and Canada are members, says that no country "has the right to intervene, directly or indirectly, for any reason whatever, in the internal or external affairs of any other State."

But Bush seems to have a peculiar idea of what's bad or good and what's naughty or nice. The shooting incident followed an almost year-long White House policy of staging provocations and harassing the Panamanian army, aimed at creating a confrontation.

Low-flying military jets entered Panamanian airspace and buzzed urban areas, and armoured personnel carriers blocked major intersections, while US troops demanded identification papers from Panamanians.

The *Toronto Star* reported the CIA had long been planning a \$3 million covert operation to overthrow Noriega, in line with a newly-approved policy of allowing US agents to assassinate its foes abroad.

The hostility goes back many years, in fact, to 1983, when Noriega met Bush in Panama City and refused to run guns to the contras. Noriega was a US government employee since 1976, earning nearly \$200 000 a year from the CIA. Bush met him for the first time in 1976 as director of the CIA. Santa Bush probably forgot to check his list, to check it twice — because at both meetings he was aware of Noriega's involvement with the drug trade.

As early as 1973, a CIA report described Panama as "one of the great contraband centers of the

world." According to a controversial 1984 story in the *Miami Herald*, US intelligence was long aware of Noriega's direct involvement in the murder of Hector Gallegos, a priest active in helping Panama's peasants.

But the media's picture of the invasion did not do to Bush's odd relationship with Noriega. Instead happy, well-dressed Panamanians were interviewed on TV hailing in unbroken English the day Santa came to town. Critics of the invasion were deprived of their most potentially damaging ammunition when one well-heeled Panamanian after another praised the Yankee invader to the sky.

But what of the typical citizen in this impoverished country, where only a tiny minority of the Americanized upper class speak English and can afford nice clothes.

A *Globe and Mail* story last Friday claimed "many" Panamanians shared an "upbeat mood" about the invasion. But what made the story remarkable was its disclosure that some Panamanians were in fact pouting and shouting.

Graffiti called the new US-backed president of Panama a "gringo." One man was bitter: "We're waiting for the United States to pay for the damage of the invasion."

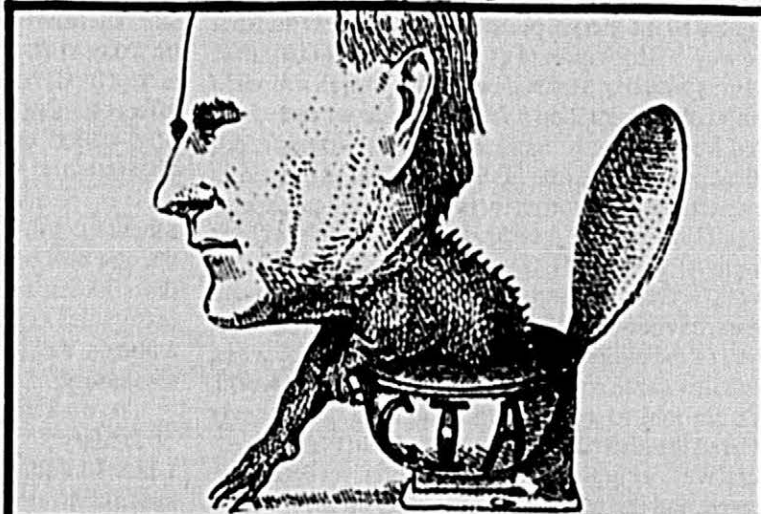
And there's a lot of damage to fix after Bush's generous party. According to a former US attorney-general, indiscriminate bombing of Panama City during the invasion killed as many as 4000 civilians. The US government claims — and the media passes on as news — that only 300 died. As a comparison, during El Salvador's recent war, bombing of urban areas by the army killed about 1500, one-third of the Panama death-count. Human-rights groups condemned the incidents in El Salvador as inhumane.

Bombing in Panama caused \$1 billion to \$2 billion in damage, many times the country's gross national product.

Damage to foreign relations may never be repaired. Bush's obvious violations of the OAS Treaty and the UN Charter has offended Latin American leaders, all of whom except the right-wing leaders of El Salvador condemned the invasion.

One lesson of the invasion of Panama is that Santa is an asshole. So are his helpers — Mulroney, the gang at the media, and the helper-gone-bad, Noriega. The other lesson is something we all suspected long ago — Santa's idea of bad, and who gets presents, is a bit screwed up. Noriega is bad because he stopped being America's stooge. Mulroney, on the other hand, deserves a Christmas phone-call because he's a mindless servant to his boss. Meanwhile, Panamanians, lost somewhere between good and bad, suffer at the hands of American generosity.

Alex Roslin



comment

Behind Bush's war on drugs

It was fitting that Panamanian strongman Manuel Noriega, after surrendering to U.S. occupying forces, should be flown directly to Homestead Air Force Base in south Florida. In the mid-1980s, Homestead served as a linchpin for CIA-sanctioned drug smuggling.

This was the great untold story of the Iran-Contra scandal. Small planes owned by Colombian drug barons flew from South America to Florida via Ilopango Air Force base in El Salvador. Once safely on the ground at Homestead, cargoes of marijuana and cocaine were off-loaded into waiting vans. The planes were then stocked up with weapons which were flown back to Ilopango for transfer to U.S.-backed Contra rebels along the Honduran border. In return for filling the logistical gap left by an official Congressional ban on arms shipments to the Contras, the freelance pilots and their bosses in the Medellín cartel were given CIA flight clearance which allowed them to fly unimpeded through the heavy U.S. radar coverage along the Florida coast.

The guns-for-drugs arrangement was only the most recent in a long line of official or semi-official U.S. support for dope entrepreneurs. As Alfred W. McCoy revealed in his classic *The Politics of Heroin in Southeast Asia*, this line extends back to the late 1940s, when the U.S. enlisted the Corsican mafia to help crush Communist trade unionism in Italy and France. In return, the mafia's heroin operation was given a free rein. A far more massive operation was mounted during the Indochina war, when an early guns-for-drugs arrangement was worked out between the CIA and Laotian heroin lord Vang Pao. It resulted, for the first time, in a flood of Southeast Asian smack onto the streets of U.S. cities.

This is the broad framework for the Bush Administration's campaign against General Noriega.

We know that Noriega's known involvement in drug-smuggling did not prevent the CIA (under then-Director George Bush) from conscripting him as an "asset" in the mid-1970s. Noriega's drug dealings and personal thuggery were of no concern to his paymasters — not then, and not after he seized power in Panama. Indeed, they probably worked to Noriega's advantage, so long as he actively assisted the U.S. war against the Nicaraguan government.

Noriega became a concern to the U.S. only when he sought to play both sides against the middle, seeking the support of Nicaragua and Cuba as relations with the U.S. deteriorated. More significant were Noriega's fuck-you posturings and anti-U.S. statements, which irritated a U.S. President still smarting from charges that he was a "wimp" in the area of foreign policy.

Grotesque though it may seem, the truth of the matter is that Panama was invaded mainly because U.S. machismo was being mocked. At least seven hundred Panamanians died to prove that Rambo, and the Monroe Doctrine, still live. The casualty toll may prove to be much higher. Former U.S. Attorney General Ramsey Clark, on a human-rights mis-

sion in Panama, estimated the number of deaths at 4000.

What about the U.S. justifications for the invasion? On the above evidence, the fiction of a U.S. "war on drugs" can be safely dispensed with. The Bush Administration further claimed it was "intervening" in Panama to depose a brutal despot and to install a new régime. According to Bush, this is the régime chosen by the Panamanian people in elections last year, but denied power by Noriega's swindling.

A curious thing, this U.S. concern for free elections. In 1984, Noriega held on to power by stealing 50 000 votes in a blatantly fraudulent election. But back then, Noriega was a darling of the Reagan administration and a prime asset of the CIA. U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz flew down to attend his inaugural ceremony. Shultz commended the exemplary electoral proceedings, and cited them as an object example for Nicaragua's Sandinistas to follow.

Even a quick glance at Central America today forces one to ask why U.S. hostility toward brutal, anti-democratic régimes is not more consistent. After all, in El Salvador the U.S.-backed ARENA government — with "Blowtorch Bob" D'Aubuisson as the power behind the throne — has just supervised one of the more brutal paroxysms of violence in recent years. Poor urban neighborhoods in San Salvador have been saturation-bombed, killing thousands. Military and paramilitary death-squads murder and mutilate with little concern for subtlety; six Jesuit priests have been among their recent victims. Nothing in General Noriega's resumé seems remotely comparable, yet the U.S. renewed military aid to ARENA just four days after the murder of the Jesuits.

On January 2, U.S.-backed Contra rebels staged an attack on Nicaragua's Atlantic Coast which killed two nuns and injured a bishop. One of the dead nuns was a U.S. citizen, as was the injured bishop. Note that it was the shooting by Panamanian security forces of a U.S. soldier, reportedly running a roadblock, which President Bush cited as justification for the U.S. invasion of Panama. The Contra killing of a U.S. citizen (along with perhaps 20,000 Nicaraguans) is not the first; but no U.S. invasion of Contra base-camps in Honduras is anticipated.

In his post-invasion press conference, Bush paid special attention to the treatment meted out to another U.S. citizen in Panama and his wife. The man had been kicked repeatedly in the groin by PDF forces, he claimed, and the wife sexually harassed. This, of course, is the sort of behavior that Bush's pet death-squads engage in as a kind of warm-up exercise, before settling down to some serious torture and mutilation. Bush's outrage at their activities has been rather muted by comparison.

Bear all of the above in mind when you listen to earnest commentators who argue that, whatever the "inconsistencies" or "limitations" of U.S. Central American policy, it is at least a relief to have Noriega out of Panama. Seen in context, the hypocrisy of the U.S. "act of mercy" seems even more vivid, and more sickening.

Adam Jones



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"Responsible" consumerism

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In the face of this new (or renewed) awareness of the environment, Students for Global Responsibility is

presenting a series of workshops on "Responsible Consumerism" in an attempt to investigate the possible alternatives for individual and community action on a day to day basis, paying special attention to the area of food consumption as a sphere that most directly affects student life. Topics include recycling, the rise of so-called "environmentally friendly" products, and disposability. Political concerns of a broader scope will also be addressed in seminars on the question of sanctions and the politics of food production. An attempt will be made to provide a balanced view of these issues, using arguments and statistics from as many sides as possible. Most importantly, discussion amongst the participants shall be emphasized and encouraged.

The workshops shall be held during the afternoons of January 15, 16 and 17, in room 425-426 of the Union Building. Keep an eye out for posters providing specific information about times and topics. All seminars shall be student-run, focusing on discussion and minimizing formal speech-making. All are invited to attend, and there is no registration charge. Feel free to participate in any or all of the scheduled workshops by simply dropping by Union 425-426 at the appropriate times.

Students for Global Responsibility

letters

Making cents of the social sciences

To the Daily:

In reference to George Sopol's letter warning of impending fee increases I would like to tell all students that there is no need for panic. For some bizarre reason, known to

him and nobody else (which includes his executive) Sopol has decided to freelance on a subject he seems to know very little about. A referendum on a possible fee increase is indeed in the works. Perhaps you, like Mr. Sopol, believe that a fee increase is not a good idea. That is not the issue. The issue discussed at the meeting in ques-

tion was whether or not there would be a referendum on the subject. Why not? Shouldn't the students decide what they want? Makes sense to me. Indeed it made sense to everybody at the meeting — except Mr. Sopol. He felt that a referendum was not the best way to gauge the wishes of the students. Perhaps the alternative would be for Mr. Sopol to dictate to McGill students what is best for them. And yet in a strange twist Mr. Sopol wants to be the first to warn students of impending doom. The point is that students who are concerned with the issue will voice their opinions. That is the rationale behind a referendum. Surely an astute student of political science could fathom this concept and stop clouding the issue.

Walter Kemp
President, History Students'
Association

Occupied minds wanna know

To the Daily:

I find it sad that given an increased awareness of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict since the start of the *intifada*, many supporters of Israeli atrocities continue to use rhetoric of hatred and prejudice

instead of finding the words to meet the PLO in a dialogue for peace. In a Dec. 1 letter to *The Daily*, Brian Spira follows the "Good Jews vs. Bad Arabs" arguments uttered so often by Israeli government officials and their supporters. Mr. Spira first gives us the "PLO as terrorist" line, in this instance as a justification for the Israeli bombings of Palestinian refugee camps during the Lebanon war. Given that most Palestinians see the PLO as their political representatives, if one assumes the PLO is as terroristic as Mr. Spira does, it then becomes frighteningly simple to justify the killing of Palestinian civilians (in refugee camps, hospitals, boats, foreign countries, etc.) and absolve Israel from any blame in these injustices.

Then Mr. Spira delves into pseudo-sociology and provides a racist story to explain the complex history of the Middle-East this century. He gives several examples of Arab vs. Arab brutality (not all even pertaining to Palestinians) to suggest that Arabs are intrinsically violent. Mr. Spira goes to appalling lengths to confirm these racist speculations as evidenced by his example that in "1982 it was fellow Arabs who perpetrated the Sabra [massacre]". In fact, it was the pro-Israeli, anti-Islam Phalangist militia, composed mainly of Christian Maronites, led by the Mossad and

CIA contact man, who massacred Palestinian refugees in the Sabra and Shatila camps in 1982. To argue that this was an act of "Arabs" against "Arabs" neatly does away with history and the Israeli support of the Phalangists and simultaneously provides another bent "fact" for racist tales disguised as historical commentary.

Finally, though neither the PLO nor the leaders of the *intifada* are against the state of Israel, Mr. Spira assumes that any criticisms of Israel's treatment of Palestinians (like the mention of the "Palestinian diaspora" by a previous letter-writer) is tantamount to questioning the right of Israel to exist. With this unjustified fear built on racist assumptions, I find it difficult to find any space in Mr. Spira's arguments (or the similar "Us vs. Them" logic of many Israeli politicians) for dialogue on peace, and the end of Israeli injustices towards the Palestinians in the Occupied Territories, to occur.

B. Rutherford
Arts PhD 2

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To the Daily:

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ourselves but it finally happened to me over the holidays. My apartment was robbed New Year's Eve. What I would like to tell other students is to protect yourself. When I first moved into an apartment in 1986 I found that the insurance companies did not want to cover three unrelated students living together or it would be very expensive. Luckily, if you can claim your permanent address at your parents' home you, as a student, can be covered on your parents' homeowners insurance policy, BUT CHECK! Call your parents right away.

How else can you protect yourself? When you move into an apartment change all the locks and even add new ones. That includes your balconies, too. You don't have to give the landlords the new key, either.

Hide your valuable items when you leave for a weekend and don't keep things in obvious places. We're university students! Think about a good place and use it. Put things in separate locations, too. The thieves want to get in and out as fast as possible so make things difficult.

Keep receipts for valuable items and make a registry with them and photos. It's difficult to remember every piece of jewellery when you're upset about the whole situation.

If you have a computer, like I did, you're an excellent target. Printers are noisy and often it is known in your building if you have one. Lock it up when you leave and bring the keys with you. Luckily I didn't lose any important assignments on my hard disk but there very well could have been an important paper or thesis on it! Since all my diskettes were stolen, too it would not have helped to have hard copies, so hide your diskettes, too or bring them with you.

Lastly, I'd like to say protect yourself and make sure you have insurance. Check the limits it will cover on jewellery (usually \$2000) and the total value your parents' insurance will cover you to (usually \$10 000). If you can't prove you still have permanent residence at home, then get out your own policy. All your electronic equipment and jewellery adds up: you'd hate to lose it.

Barbara Sundin
Dip. Ed., Secondary

The new American fascism

By Chris Lawson
Canadian University Press

A 1986 article in Lyndon LaRouche's weekly newspaper, then called New Solidarity, says gay-bashing gangs of 'punks' in Western Europe are symptoms of a larger problem.

Governments, LaRouche wrote, are unwilling to take proper public health measures to curb the spread of AIDS, so the gangs, fearing the demise of humanity, are taking matters into their own hands.

Larouchian "public health measures" include the isolation of potential and actual carriers (meaning gay men) as well as their "accelerated deaths."

AIDS is not a gay disease — and in fact is spreading faster among heterosexuals — and there is no evidence that an HIV positive person circulating in public poses any threat to public health. The only effect would be a gross violation of human rights where "accelerated deaths" is a euphemism for mass murder.

It's a ludicrous proposition, entirely motivated by hatred and fear of homosexuals. And yet more than two million Californians voted to quarantine people with AIDS in November 1986, then 1.7 million in mid-1987 in referenda organized by a LaRouche front organization.

This is one reason Dennis King says LaRouche — commonly considered just plain whacky — ought to be taken seriously and stopped.

King is a New York-based freelance journalist and the author of *Lyndon LaRouche and The New American Fascism*.

It's the result of decades of watching LaRouche go from being an unorthodox Trotskyite, competing for control of the 1960's student movement in New York to a huge, multi-faceted fascist organization competing for the ear of the Reagan administration in the 1980's.

Most people, King argues, think of the Larouchites (most commonly seen peddling their literature at tables in airports) as ludicrous. To most, it's a fair assessment — claiming the Queen of England sells drugs, mosquitos spread AIDS, and that Henry Kissinger is a KGB agent aren't particularly credible hypotheses.

King says LaRouche thinking on AIDS parallels Nazi Hitler's thinking on Syphilis, and the theory about the Queen of England selling drugs parallels Nazi propaganda about the so-called 'British-Jewish Empire' which supposedly controlled the opium trade.

"History is full of kooks who, in serious times, have been given serious consideration," King said in an interview. "Kookishness is a smokescreen to keep people from criticizing him, or taking him too seriously."

And people have taken LaRouche and his followers very seriously.

LaRouche's main organization (the National Caucus of Labour Committees) created the Fusion Energy Foundation in 1974 as "a cover for the intelligence staff's science and technology division."

King says LaRouche used the foundation to spread propaganda about beam weapons — propaganda which played a large part in what became the Strategic Defense Initiative.

"LaRouche became a sort of unofficial advisor to the Reagan administration," King said.

LaRouche has also managed to raise over \$200 million in from donors — some gave willingly, most were defrauded — and field thousands of candidates in hundreds of municipal, state and national elections.

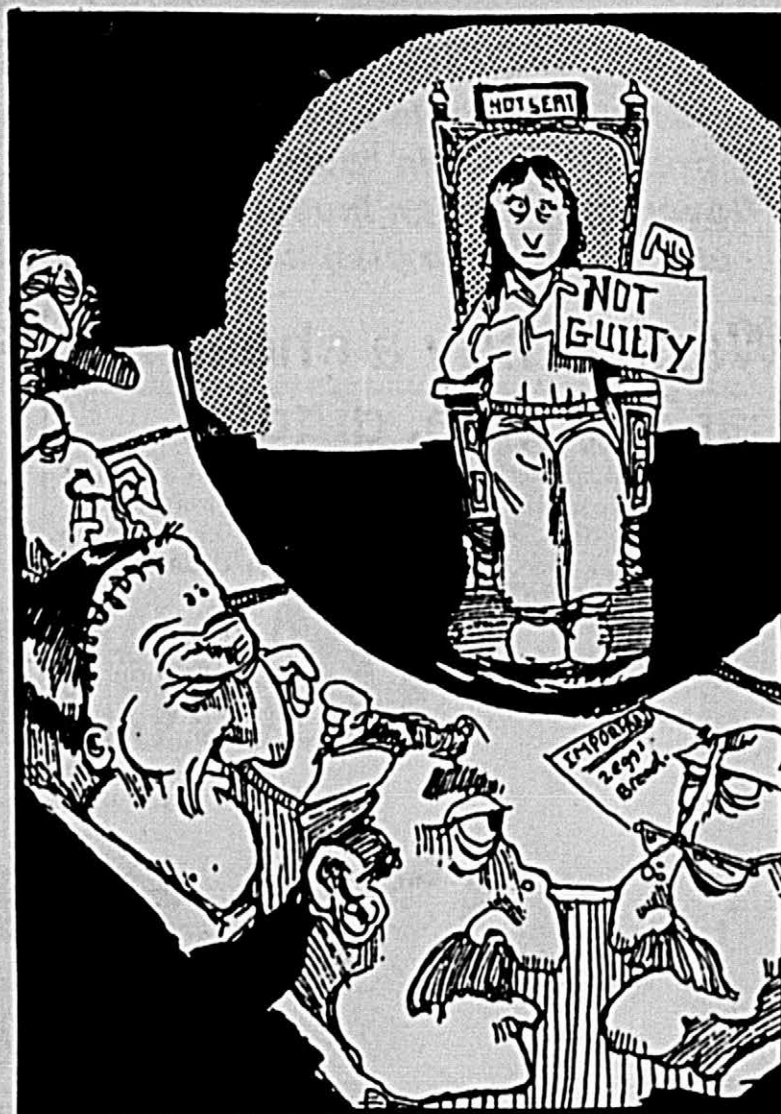
The Larouchites have also established connections with the Teamsters, the Ku Klux Klan, ex-Panamanian dictator and drug baron Manuel Noriega, the CIA, and the FBI.

King's book is an exhaustive look at the history of the NCLC, right up to LaRouche and six follower's December 1988 conviction on charges of loan fraud totaling more than \$30 million, and an attempt to analyse why LaRouche made it so far unchecked.

Some public figures didn't denounce them, King argues, because they were useful allies. Others were afraid of becoming victims of a Larouchian smear campaign. But King saves his most strident criticism for the media.

The media have 'quarantined' LaRouche, preferring to avoid giving him the publicity he craves, King says.

"This attitude — don't write



about an important story because we, the journalists, believe the public can't handle it — would be regarded as downright unethical in every area of journalism except the coverage of extremists," he writes.

"Indeed, in other areas it would be called a cover-up."

King's afterword touches on the differences between the American media's treatment LaRouche and Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan.

He notes how Farrakhan's involvement with Jesse Jackson was a major issue in Jackson's bid to become the Democrat presidential candidate in the 1988 election, and well-covered, but LaRouche's far more apparent support for and involvement with Reagan wasn't barely worth mentioning.

That the media's own political agenda would prohibit any serious attempts to discredit Reagan by exposing his links with LaRouche isn't really part of King's equation. King treats the mass media as more

or less neutral, but notes that the alternative and left press was relatively prolific in its writings on LaRouche, and voiciferous in condemning LaRouche's racism and homophobia.

LaRouche hasn't been stopped by the mere fact of imprisonment, King says. Many of the NCLC's operations, shut down by FBI investigations after LaRouche and his followers were convicted, have reopened under different names, King says. LaRouche is guiding the operations from prison and his fundraisers continue to pump for funds.

"LaRouche made all these inroads into politics, raised all that money and no one really stopped him," King said. "That's really scary."

Lyndon LaRouche and the New American Fascism
by Dennis King
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Where? General Office (Union 105). When? Monday January 15, 1990 12:00-2:00 and 5:00-6:30 Tuesday January 16, 1990 1:00-2:30 and 4:00-5:30

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Instructor: Julia Rucklidge
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